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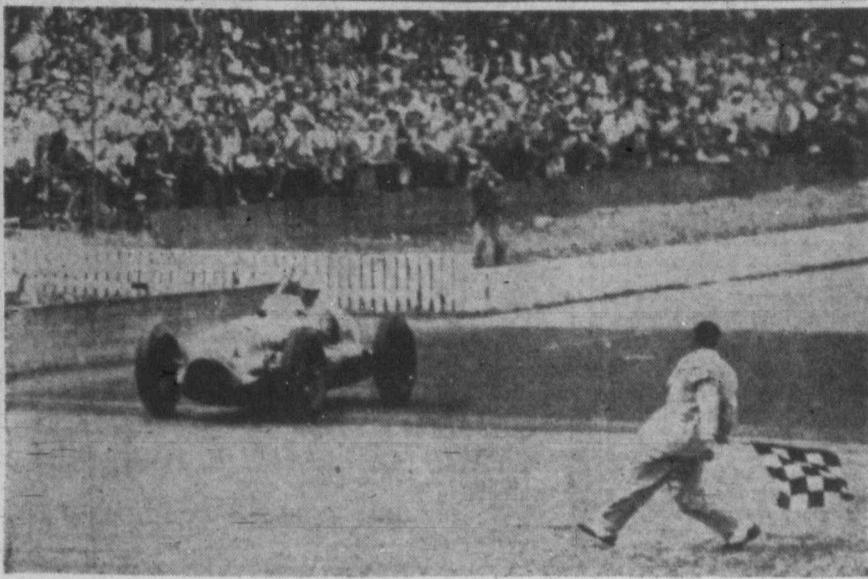
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Weather Forecast

Clear today and Thursday with southwest winds, 20 m.p.h. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 47; high Thursday, 63.

PRICE FIVE CENTS



Sets New Record

Bill Holland gets the checkered flag of victory in the 33rd running of the 500-mile race at Indianapolis, Ind., setting a new record with an average speed of 121.327 miles per hour. It was the third year in a row that one of Lou Moore's Blue Crown Specials was driven to victory. Holland's teammate, Mauri Rose, drove one to win in 1947 and 1948. —(NEA Photo)

Big Four Clash Again On Berlin Veto Issue

PARIS (AP)—The Foreign Ministers' Council today took up the question of restoring four-power control of Berlin and clashed at once on the veto issue. U.S. sources said the three western ministers urged the right of unanimity to be abolished in a revived kommandatura.

Foreign Minister Vishinsky of Russia strongly objected, saying unanimous decisions were "the only way to govern."

Before today's session the three Western Foreign Ministers met to discuss their diplomatic campaign against Russia in the council. The conference lasted

British Railways 'Go Slow' Strike Affects New Areas

LONDON (CP)—"Go slow" demonstrations by railway employees spread today to a freight depot in Sheffield, Yorkshire, and to three more London depots.

This would mean that the deliberations would be secret and that newspapermen would not be briefed at the conclusion of the meetings. There was no indication as to what decision was reached.

At present, reporters are barred from the pink marble palaces where the meetings are held. After the conclusion of the sessions, however, press officers from each of the four delegations give resumes.

Say Most Countries Favor Recognition Of Red China

NANKING (AP)—Diplomatic sources said today most countries, including Britain, France, Russia, and India—favor recognition of the Chinese Communists when their new government is set up.

United States officials here, these sources said, are urging that recognition be used for bargaining with the Communists for better treatment of non-Soviet interests. The United States has less immediate need for formal relations than Britain, France and India.

This is the picture outlined by Nanking diplomatic quarters:

The western powers are in contact on recognition of the Red Chinese regime and probably will work together. But Britain and France are likely to act sooner if the United States

delays too long after the Reds establish an eligible government.

France's prime concern is Indo-China.

Chinese Red armies soon will reach the Indo-China border. The French need a Chinese government to protest to it either troops or war materials begin crossing this border to aid Communist Viet-Namse nationalists. The Viet-Namse have been fighting the French since the World War ended.

Britain is eager to do business with the Chinese Communists.

SCRAMBLE FOR TRADE

The British Crown Colony of Hongkong depends on trade with the Chinese mainland. Hongkong shipping already is calling on North China ports. British business men are well ahead in the scramble for trade.

Churchill Has Hopes No Future Wars

LONDON (AP)—Winston Churchill said today he has a growing hope that "we may avert forever the terrible vision of a third world war."

"There was a time, in 1935 and 1936 when I used to hear—in the famous lines—'ancestral voices prophesying war,'" said the wartime Prime Minister.

"But now I am thankful to say I do not hear those voices."

Churchill spoke at a ceremony in which he was made a freeman of the Borough of Kensington.

Two Face Charge As Result Of Escape

VANCOUVER (CP)—Two Vancouver men who gave their occupations as doctors have been arrested on warrants charging that they were accessories to the escape of James Edecombe from the General Hospital May 27. The men charged are Arthur L. Guinness and John M. Campbell.

Edecombe escaped while under police guard at the hospital by jumping out a window, 15 feet from the ground.

He was in hospital while awaiting trial on a charge of attempting to procure an abortion. He was arrested shortly after his escape.

The names of the two scientists were not brought out.

"I did not consider there was a security risk involved," Wilson said.

'Bad Risks' Kept Working For U.S. Atomic Commission

WASHINGTON (AP)—Carroll L. Wilson, the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission's general manager, said today he kept two scientists on payrolls despite his security officer's finding that they were bad risks.

Wilson told a Congressional committee he made his own de-

cision in these cases and had not taken the matter up with the commission.

Wilson testified at the Senate House atomic committee's hearings on charges by Senator Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) that there has been "incredible mismanagement" of the commission's affairs under the chairmanship of David E. Lilienthal.

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Child Not Refused Hospital Admission

St. Joseph's Hospital did not deny admission to an 11-month-old Indian child, Marie Charlie, who died Monday night, according to an announcement today from the doctor who was responsible for care of the child.

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Eisler Would Sue U.S. For \$25,000

PRAGUE (Reuter)—Gerhard Eisler, German-born Communist, who arrived here from London Tuesday after a British court had turned down a United States application for his extradition, said today he will sue the United States government for \$25,000.

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Two More Arrests Expected In Huge Narcotics Round-Up

B.C.E. Advances 40-Hour Week Date; Back Pay

VANCOUVER (CP)—The British Columbia Electric Railway will establish the 40-hour work week for union members in approximately half the time originally scheduled, it was announced today. It will be in full force by Feb. 16, 1950.

Details of a new agreement between the B.C.E.R. and the Street Railwaymen's Union (A.F.L.) disclosed that retroactive pay adjustments will be made.

All S.R.U. members will receive two hours' wages a week from March 1, when the old agreement expired, to July 15, the last day prior to the first reduction in hours.

The work week for bus and trolley operators—known as platform men—will be reduced from 46 to 44 hours, effective July 16, to 42 hours on Nov. 16, and to 40 hours Feb. 16, 1950.

The details were announced in a joint statement today by president A. E. Grauer of the B.C.E.R. and Lloyd Easler, chairman of the advisory board of the Street Railwaymen's Union.

ACCEPTANCE URGED

The union's advisory board has recommended acceptance of the agreement for the 3,000 transit workers in Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster. It is subject to approval of the membership which will vote on it later in the week.

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The B.C. Electric today is computing what effect the proposed agreement with its 3,000 transportation workers in Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster, but officials have declined to suggest the adjustments will mean an increase in transportation fares.

Until the computations have been completed no official comment will be made by the company, an official said. He denied that any responsible officer of the company had suggested there would be an increase in bus fares in Victoria or the other cities.

Extinction Threatens Winnipeg's Grain Pit

WINNIPEG (CP)—Closing of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, one of the world's largest export markets, was considered possible today following announcement the Canadian Wheat Board will take over marketing of oats and barley Aug. 1.

This would leave the exchange with trading only in rye and flax.

Grain men refused to comment until they received full details of the Trade Department announcement issued in Ottawa today.

Last year Parliament passed a bill to make the Wheat Board—since 1943 the sole marketing agent for Canada's wheat production—the only marketing agency also for oats and barley.

Trade Minister Howe, whose department administers the Wheat Board, said the bill would

not come into effect until the three prairie provinces had passed enabling legislation.

Saskatchewan, then Alberta, and finally Manitoba did so.

In its 62 years of existence the Grain Exchange, once the world's largest export market, has survived wars, depression, economic crises and numerous Royal Commission investigations.

But with oats and barley sent to join wheat in exile from the futures market, it's certain that trading in the historic pit will come to a near stop.

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Says B.C. Lumber Picture Less Gloomy Than Painted

VANCOUVER (CP)—A little optimism has been injected into the Canadian west coast lumber trade—British Columbia's No. 1 industry.

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'In Dutch With Officials'

Her second-hand plane grounded at the Malton airport near Toronto, under international regulations, following an unauthorized flight from Chicago. Mrs. Ardora Morrow-Tait, 25-year-old English pilot, is pondering her next move in her effort to complete her round-the-world flight. She is shown with her navigator, Jack Ellis. —(SNS Photo)

LATEST

Chinese Flying Home

VANCOUVER (CP)—Fifteen Canadian Chinese left Vancouver International Airport today for Hongkong—despite the surging Communist armies in their homeland. The group, mainly from Eastern Canada, includes two babies.

Market Rallies

NEW YORK (AP)—The stock, grain and cotton markets found a steady price footing today after Tuesday's pounding. Quotations in the New York Stock Exchange started off with a slight drop but soon leveled off. At the close the market was inching ahead although there were still plenty of losers.

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Nine Men Held After Extensive R.C.M.P. Work

OTTAWA (CP)—Federal officials today described the current narcotics drive in which nine men have been arrested as one of the biggest ever undertaken in Canada.

Commissioner S. T. Wood of the R.C.M.P. said the roundup, the result of many months of work on the part of the force and the health department, was one of the largest and most successful drives against narcotics in some years.

K. C. Hossack, director of the narcotics control division of the health department, said the drive was part of the ceaseless war being waged against dope peddlers.

He said the amazing price of \$20 a gram for heroin indicated "how difficult it is becoming to obtain forbidden drugs illicitly."

"Our legal trade (doctors and druggists) is so clean today," Mr. Hossack said, "that the price in the underworld has been forced up to new high levels."

ARREST AT AIRPORT

VANCOUVER (CP)—Nine men were arrested Tuesday and the R.C.M.P. expects to take two more into custody in a crackdown on

One Woman's Day

By NANCY HODGES

BRANDS AND NAMES

MR. SHAKESPEARE ONCE wrote that a rose by any other name would smell as sweet. That may have been true enough as far as roses in those Elizabethan days were concerned, but when it comes to selling chewing-gum and chewing tobacco, soft soaps and cleansing creams, canned goods and corn cures, it's the name that really counts.

So next time you buy your favorite breakfast food or cigarettes, don't forget that the brand name didn't get there by accident. There's lots more to it than that.

I have it on the word of a Chicago authority that it was probably the result of more agitation and cogitation than goes into the choosing of a name for the first baby.

'ACCOUCHEMENT' PANGS

AND THE STRAIN imposed on erstwhile amicable family relations when it comes to reconciling your choice of say, "Gloria Diane Sandra" with the plain "Mary Jane" insisted upon by the equally plain maiden aunt from whom you have "expectations," is nothing compared to the strain of naming a new product, it seems.

In fact, the process of giving birth to a brand appears to be fraught with as many pangs as that natural process which used to be known in genteel, early Victorian days as "accoucheement." And shares this in common with it—that a couch enters into it.

For, says the Chicago source, "Picture a business executive reposing on a couch in a psychiatrist's office. He may be choosing a new brand name for his products."

PSYCHOLOGY BEST

WELL, WELL! Who would have thought it? And to prove that this isn't mere psychological "phooey," somebody some time ago went into a huddle and, after a study of no less than 637 brand names, came up with the opinion that the psychological method proves best in the long run.

Best, that is, when it comes to making people buy. And the same authority says the method employed is the "word test" which the psychologist used to find out what's bothering you.

It's like the old quiz game, in which someone gives you a word and you respond immediately—if you can think at all—with the one it brings to your mind, like life—death; pain—neck; bread—butter. Your answer to his test words give the psychologist the clues to your hidden problem, if any.

DISAGREEABLE!

SO MR. BUSINESS EXECUTIVE, while taking it easy on the psychological couch, is tested with various brand names to probe his secret and subconscious sales reactions. Incidentally, I recall some of my own reactions to the names of some products, reactions which certainly didn't fill me with any desire to buy the stuff.

Apparently they had the same effect on the executives as they did on me. For, research into those 637 brand names revealed that "some suggest something entirely unrelated to the product and, still worse, they have a disagreeable connotation."

And that's no way to get buyers. Or, as the report implied, the crucial point is not the impact on the company president, even when lolling on a couch. What counts is the impact on the prospective customer.

EARS AND EYES

TO THAT END, a new name, even when it is selected by "psyching," has to face further tests—again psychological. This time it is tried out for its effect on the eyes, its effect on the ears, and its effect on the memory.

So the next time something new hits the market, and its brand name fails to please your eyesight and your hearing, or you forget it too easily—you'll know that something went wrong somewhere in the "psyching" process. Perhaps the couch was too hard—or too soft?

Then again, it may prove that Shakespeare was right, after all.

Norman Macpherson, B.C. Works Deputy, Dies Suddenly

Norman Wilson Macpherson, deputy minister of public works for British Columbia, died suddenly following a heart attack yesterday. He was 61 years of age.

Mr. Macpherson joined the provincial works department in January, 1948, and since that time had helped shape some of the province's major highway projects. He came to Victoria from Edmonton, having served most of his life with the Alberta works department.

Born in St. Thomas, Ont., and a graduate in civil engineering of the University of Toronto, Mr. Macpherson was one of the most outstanding bridge engineers in western Canada. He joined the Alberta works department in 1911 and was appointed bridge engineer in 1914, a position he held until 1934.

He also served as Alberta highway commissioner and as a member of the Alberta highway traffic board.

Mr. Macpherson had returned by air to his office Tuesday afternoon from an inspection trip with Harry Anderson, chief engineer of the provincial works department, of the Hope-Princeton Highway. On the trip he had complained of his health but had said on reaching his office that he was feeling somewhat better.

He apparently suffered a heart attack shortly after returning to his home at 2390 Oak Bay Avenue Tuesday afternoon. He died in hospital shortly after midnight.

Mr. Macpherson is survived by his wife and a daughter, Mrs. T. C. Humphreys, Vancouver. A son was killed over Malta during the Second World War.

Funeral arrangements are being made today.

Same Job 81 Years

LIMPENHOE, Norfolk, Eng. (CP) — Jack Sales, 89, has worked longer than anyone in England on the same farm. On Hill House farm here he has worked 81 years. He is a farm steward and has eight men working under him, including "young" Ben Turner, who has been there a mere 48 years.

Weather

Weather synopsis and official forecast issued by the Dominion Public Weather Office at Vancouver at 9 a.m. Wednesday, June 1, valid until midnight Thursday, June 2.

Synopsis—Rain has been falling overnight at many points in southern British Columbia with amounts of nearly three quarters of an inch recorded at some points. Skies are cloudy over the remainder of the province. Gradual clearing is expected during the next 24 hours with the development of an area of high pressure off the coast.

Vancouver and vicinity, Strait of Georgia—Cloudy, clearing during the afternoon. Variable cloudiness overnight clearing Thursday morning. Winds light except becoming westerly 15 both afternoons. Little change in temperature. Low tonight and high Thursday at Vancouver airport 50 and 67. Nanaimo 45 and 65.

Lower Fraser Valley—Overcast with scattered showers clearing this evening. Cloudy Thursday. Clearing in the evening. Light winds. Little change in temperature. Low tonight and high Thursday at Abbotsford 43 and 63.

West coast Vancouver Island—Cloudy, clearing this afternoon. Variable cloudiness overnight clearing during Thursday morning. Winds northwest 15. Little change in temperature. Low tonight and high Thursday at Estevan Point 45 and 57.

Min. Max. Precip.

St. John's	35	55	.14
Montreal	40	62	
Toronto	41	64	
North Bay	43	67	
Park Arthur	47	67	
Kensington	43	67	
Winnipeg	65	84	
Brandon	58	77	.87
The Pas	53	73	.01
Regina	48	64	
Saskatoon	42	52	
Prince Albert	40	52	
N. Battleford	43	54	.02
Swift Current	42	63	
Medicine Hat	40	63	
Lethbridge	49	62	1.39
Calgary	38	60	.19
Edmonton	44	60	.19
Penticton	45	65	.18
Vancouver	51	66	.25
Kimberley	40	68	.00
Castlegar Valley	47	66	.00
Prince Rupert	47	60	.04
Prince George	39	54	
Port Alberni	50	65	.11
Port Hardy	61	85	
Victoria	54	75	
Los Angeles	84	95	
New York	66	76	
Spain	65	76	.04
Whitehorse	43	66	.01
Victoria	49	62	Trace

Progressive Conservative candidate for the Nanaimo riding, Maj.-General G. R. Pearkes, V.C., will tour through his constituencies of Sidney and North Saanich Thursday. At 3 he will speak to a large gathering at a garden tea, at the Deep Cove Chalet. Whit Stanbury will join the candidate on the platform of the K. of P. Hall, Sidney, when he addresses a meeting there at 8.

**Just A Reminder**

Not even this statue was safe when political posters were plastered on a street corner in Trieste as campaigning began for the first local administrative elections since the war. Although the elections are local, the results may indicate the temper of the people with regard to the future of the free territory, smack on Russia's Iron Curtain.

Fines Levied On Driving Charges At Same Intersection

Fines of \$40 and \$35 were levied in the city police court today against motorists charged with driving to the common danger at the same intersection.

John Ryan, 1002 Vancouver Street, pleading guilty through his counsel, David Sloan, was fined \$40 and had his driver's license suspended pending a report from the superintendent of motor vehicles. The charge said Ryan failed to stop at a stop signs and was driving on the wrong side of the road at Haultain Street and Fernwood Road May 13.

The \$35 fine was paid by James Lambie, 376 Walter Street, when he pleaded guilty to driving to the common danger at the same intersection May 18.

Gordon Graydon Praising Drew

WINNIPEG (CP) — Gordon Graydon, former Progressive Conservative leader in the Commons, said in an address here Tuesday night that George Drew, national leader of the party, is the most feared man in the Dominion today as far as his political opponents are concerned.

No matter how much Mr. Drew's opponents criticized him they had to give him credit for his clean, honest administration of Ontario affairs while he was premier of that province, said the speaker. An attempt had been made in Parliament to destroy

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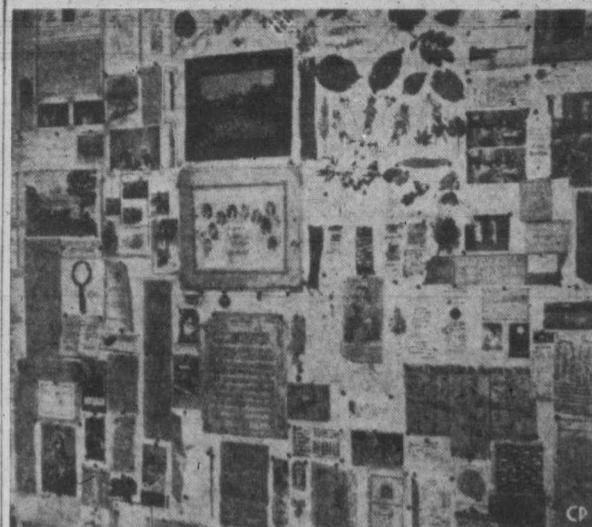
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FORGETFUL READERS—Canadian readers are an absent-minded lot, Mrs. Margaret Reynolds, director of the Canadian Book Centre at Halifax believes. Shown here are a few of the items found in books received from across Canada for shipment to the looted and destroyed libraries of European countries. These articles, used as bookmarks and some just left in books, include almost everything imaginable. As each new item is found, Mrs. Reynolds adds it to the wall display in her office. (CP Photo)

Songhees Hold Political Parley With Candidates

Indians in the Greater Victoria area held a political parley Tuesday—the first since the Provincial government extended to British Columbia Indians the franchise to vote in political elections.

The historic event was held in the Songhees Indian Reserve School! on Admirals Road. Indians, including many women, from Sooke, Esquimalt, Saanich and Cowichan, were present at the meeting to hear Coalition government candidates ask them for their support at the polls on June 15.

Speakers included Cmdr. Charles T. Beard, Mrs. Nancy Hodges, Arthur J. R. Ash, and Leigh F. Stevenson, former R.C.A.F. air vice-marshal, all seeking re-election on Coalition government tickets.

The meeting presented a colorful scene. Paintings and sketches depicting different phases of Indian life hung from the walls of the schoolroom. In the gathering were seated many young men who served in the army in the war. Father J. J. Bradley and A. E. Pickford, one of the best authorities on Northwest Indians, were also present to watch the proceedings.

Perhaps one of the most colorful personalities at the rally was 85-year-old Jimmy Fraser, who sat silently listening to the speakers. He could remember the days when the white men were few on Vancouver Island.

Also present was Ed. Williams, 75, who saw during his lifetime Victoria grow over an area which once only supported game and fish—important to the livelihood of the Indians.

URGES COALITION VOTE
Chief Percy Ross, chairman, told the gathering there were only a few Indians who still were not in favor of the franchise. He said their opposition to Indians taking part in the political life of the province arose from a fear that the Indians would lose their rights.

He named the Cowichan Indians as the chief opponents to the franchise. "That is because white men have made so many promises and broken them," he said.

Chief Ross urged the Indians to vote solidly behind the Coalition government. "If you don't vote solid for one party you will lose power," he said.

He was sorry to hear that there were Indians supporting the C.C.P. party because this would split the vote of the Indians.

ONE MINUTE NEWS ABOUT JOHNS-MANVILLE

GET TO ROOT OF ROOT TROUBLE!

Are you planning to build this year? Or making property improvements such as an underground sewer line? If so, make sure you buy a sewer pipe that has tight joints. If the joints aren't tight, tree roots may force their way into the pipe and clog it.

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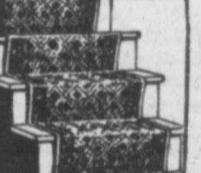
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REACHING THE LIMIT

ALTHOUGH VOTING MUST STILL TAKE place among the Street Railwaymen's Union members employed by the B.C. Electric, the recommendation of the union officials gives strong hope that the wages and hours controversy will be settled without recourse to a strike. The inconvenience and dislocations caused by previous walkouts—in 1945 and again in 1947—have left the general public with little sympathy for such tactics, regardless of the merits of the point at issue. And it will not be forgotten, either, that there must inevitably be a limit to the process of raising wages and decreasing hours of work.

The laws of economics apply to transportation as they do to manufacturing or other industrial and commercial pursuits. Costs raised beyond a certain point must be reflected in an increased price for the commodity or service, unless the structure of the business is to suffer. Whether that point has been reached in the present instance would be a matter for the Public Utilities Commission to decide if called upon for a hearing. But, in any case, an automatic increase in fares cannot be looked upon as a ready answer to all union demands. In Victoria, for example, there has already been one fare increase since the new franchise came into effect. Another is bound to result in public opposition. Fares would appear to have reached a maximum level for a community of this size; the ultimate source of transportation revenue—the wallets of the bus passengers—is not unlimited.

This consideration should be borne in mind by the Street Railwaymen's Union members as they consider the latest settlement proposal. The rising cost of living has been the cause—and usually a reasonable one—of continued wage increases. But the cost of living has not risen unduly since the last wage negotiation. The goose that lays the golden eggs may not be content to remain a goose.

HAZY DREW ECONOMICS

AT ONE POINT DURING HIS PLATFORM performance in Victoria on Monday, Mr. George Drew, national leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, seemed to be worrying about the fact that Great Britain had bought a considerable amount of goods from Continental Europe—even from states behind the "iron curtain." Probably many of his own supporters wondered why he was so troubled about this particular business fact.

It would obviously be an excellent stroke of business if the Dominion of Canada could supply the United Kingdom with the variety of commodities of which she is in urgent need. But what the former Premier of Ontario did not explain to his audience was the method whereby Canadian exporters and British importers could get together and strike a deal in which, by some strange economic alchemy, the disparity between the Canadian dollar and the pound sterling could be composed.

Mr. Drew is a past master of generalities. He talks glibly about Anglo-Canadian trade. And we are reminded of his frosty utterance in this regard by a Reuter's dispatch from Buenos Aires yesterday which narrated details of a new trade pact between Great Britain and Argentina. This announcement, incidentally, recalls to mind one of the first trading reactions to the Imperial Economic Conference held in Ottawa in 1932. Deliberations on that occasion, as most of our readers will remember, were a modern imitation of the original concept of an Imperial Zollverein as envisioned by the late Joseph Chamberlain.

No sooner had London delegates to that Ottawa meeting arrived back in Great Britain than Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin, who led his colleagues to Ottawa, dressed up the then Prince of Wales—now Duke of Windsor—in his best clothes and sent him down as an official envoy to the Argentine with an implied injunction that he do his best to strengthen the trading relations between the United Kingdom and that important Latin American republic. The inference in all the foregoing is, or should be, obvious.

LATE IN THE DAY

WHAT POLITICAL CAPITAL MAY BE made of the statement by the London Sunday Express aviation writer, Group Capt. Hugh S. L. Dundas—that Canada may not be getting the most serviceable jet fighter aircraft from the United States—remains to be seen. The British expert now in this Dominion on a visit has points in his favor when he compares the durability of British products with the mechanical life expectancy of the United States F-86. On the other hand, it seems obvious that experts will continue to disagree on the relative merits of various machines and will automatically lean toward those they favor themselves.

The fact remains, however, that the Canadian authorities doubtless studied the matter in meticulous detail before making their recommendations respecting the use of the American model. It has been noted, moreover, that British interests have criticized their own lack of salesmanship in pro-

moting the choice of a British plane in this country. Added to all this, of course, is the question of prices and the fact that every plane is technically obsolete as soon as it leaves the drawing board for production. New models on the draughting boards make it so.

Avoidance of conflict in opinions in the future, we suggest, may be accomplished by advancing still more rapidly the scheme for armament standardization of all descriptions among the Anglo-Saxon powers. At all events, the suggestion of Group Capt. Dundas comes a little late in the day for the specific point he raises. It may, however, be useful in future negotiations.

HIS NEW TUNE

MR. GEORGE DREW'S DECLARATION that if elected to power at Ottawa he would call a Dominion-provincial conference to iron out problems affecting the federal government and the members of Confederation adds the final touch of irony to his campaign. It does not require a very long memory to recall that it was Mr. Drew himself, as Premier of Ontario, who allied himself with Mr. Duplessis of Quebec to make as much trouble as he could at the last similar conference. It was his stand, in an effort to embarrass the Dominion government, that was mainly instrumental in destroying hopes of making the Dominion provincial wartime tax-agreement Canada-wide. It was his recalcitrance that provoked dissension at the Ottawa meetings and endangered implementation of the necessary tax-collecting plan.

This is the man who now would call a conference to settle such difficulties as may exist between the governments. Whatever the "difficulties" are, Mr. Drew should be well acquainted with them, for he and the policies he supported are mainly responsible for them. It is a little late in the day for him to march under the banner of Dominion-provincial harmony.

PINNING IT DOWN

IN THE OPINION OF CHIEF JUSTICE

Wendell B. Farris an amendment of the Criminal Code is required to clarify the relationship between drinking and culpability in automobile accidents. Addressing a prisoner prior to sentence this week in a manslaughter case, the Chief Justice is quoted as stating:

"I said during your trial that in my opinion the question of drinking did not affect the guilt; I did not mean by that that drunkenness was any excuse. I simply meant that the Code, when drafted, did not have in mind the question of a jury taking it into consideration. I intend to recommend to the Prison Commission meeting that they revise the Criminal Code so there will be no doubt that future juries can take the question of drunkenness into consideration on a charge such as this."

The remarks of the Chief Justice lend added emphasis to the question of drinking and driving. It need not be argued that a person may have a drink or two without losing competency and without suffering a sufficiently strong reaction to due judgment. On the other hand, authorities assert that when the blood alcohol is above a certain critical level, any individual, whether tolerant or intolerant of alcohol, suffers from delayed reflexes, faulty judgment and a distorted opinion of his or her physical abilities. Beyond the specified point, danger exists that such a person will become a menace if placed in charge of a car. Carelessness to the point of utter recklessness and receive your opinion on them. Please address your replies to Mr. H. Cook, 757 Jubilee Ave., Winnipeg, Man. . . ."

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C.C.F. And Communism

Winnipeg Free Press

DURING the past few days, C.C.F. supporters in Manitoba have received a letter signed by 11 members of their party, including two members of the provincial legislature. That letter, the text of which is reproduced, is the latest in a series of incidents which reveal the steady growth of a pro-Communist element in the C.C.F.

That element, it is clear, is neither small nor insignificant. It was able, in the first of these incidents, to command enough support to commit the Manitoba convention of the party to opposition to the Marshall Plan. It was able later to put the B.C. provincial convention on record against the Atlantic Pact. And in between it has been powerful enough to break out in a long series of individual episodes which the authority of a C.C.F. executive has been challenged. The text of the letter follows:

ARE YOU, as a Canadian, and particularly as a member of the C.C.F., disturbed about present tendencies towards war?

"Do you feel that the policies being adopted at Ottawa, fashioned after the policies from Washington, will bring peace and security, or will they bring depression and war? Do you agree that the Marshall Plan (or the European Recovery Plan) of supplying arms and other reinforcements to non-Socialist governments of Greece, Italy, France, Japan, et al., will further the development of Socialism and peace, or will it mean the re-establishment of capitalism and the continuation of civil war, and the continued exploitation of the common people of those lands?

"Do you think that the increased production of armaments in Canada and the U.S.A. is meant to (or will) lead to world security, or are you of the opinion that this is another case of capitalism to 'cover up' the coming depression? In this regard do you feel that the North Atlantic Pact is a peaceful association of nations, or is it more a plan to ensure markets for U.S. arms production?"

THE C.C.F. has officially given its support to these plans. Various representatives of the party have stated that in their opinion we have made a mistake; that as a Socialist party we have no right to endorse plans emanating almost completely from the centre of world capitalism—Washington. Objections to present C.C.F. policy in these matters have been heard from amongst others, C.C.F. delegates from British Columbia and some from Saskatchewan and Manitoba at the national convention last fall; from the convention of the Manitoba C.C.F. which last summer passed a resolution opposing the Marshall Plan; from R. H. Carlin, past C.C.F. member in the Ontario House, who failed to receive endorsement of the C.C.F. in the last Ontario election; and more lately, from Wilbert Doneleyko, C.C.F. M.L.A. in Manitoba, and from sections of the C.C.F. in B.C.

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A Lot Of Help He Turned Out To Be!



GLOBAL SURVEY

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press News Analyst

THE BIG FOUR Foreign Ministers' Council meeting in Paris seems no closer to substantial agreement between Russia and the western powers than it was when it started 10 days ago. In fact the conference has lost much of the atmosphere of amiability in which it opened.

The only worthwhile possibility that appears at the moment is some sort of economic unity between the eastern and western zones of Germany. The chances of political unity already gone down the drain pipe.

Foreign Minister Vishinsky of Russia last week gave his customary "No" to the proposal by Britain, the United States and France that the Russian zone of Germany form a political union with the new federal republic comprising the three western theatres. Then yesterday he proposed that the Foreign Ministers' Council invite a delegation from the Communist-dominated "German People's Congress" of the Soviet zone to appear before it.

The "German People's Congress" has adopted a constitution for a "German democratic republic." The idea of the delegation appearing before the council was to advocate that western Germany join the "German democratic republic."

The three western powers voted down Vishinsky's proposal. They contended the people's congress isn't really representative of all Germany, as it claims to be. So Vishinsky got an echoing "No."

UNION MOSCOW'S AIM

This projected eastern zone republic is to be a totalitarian regime like those of the other satellite states. Should there be a union between the communized "German democratic republic" and the federal republic of the western area, the Red zone would provide the spearhead for the attempted communization of the other three zones. For that reason Moscow would jump at the chance to make such a union, and by the same token the western democracies will keep as far away from it as possible.

So far as concerns the taking over of western Germany by the "German people's republic," it's wholly unlikely Moscow expected it could be done. It was just a manoeuvre. Actually the average German hates the name of communism and the only way he could be made to bow to it would be by force.

CLIPPED AT RANDOM

UNHEALTHY CONFIDENCE

Ottawa Citizen

Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky of the Red Army states that Russia's military forces are the only ones today able "successfully to decide all problems of modern warfare." Overconfidence is not a healthy characteristic of any army.

SILENT PARTNERS

The Times of London

It is just as well that animals do not share our finer perceptions. The hazards of a postman's life would be materially increased if dogs understood their master's distaste for the income-tax demands which are so regular a feature of his burden; and cows whose return to the dairy was always liable to be delayed while they stopped to admire the sunset would be an awful nuisance. It is sad, in a way, that our dumb friends are incapable of tasting so many of our joys; but since, by the same token, they are precluded from sharing a good many of our griefs, perhaps they have not got so very much to complain about.

FREE CORN SERVICE

Ottawa Journal

The British Minister of Health has turned down a proposal from the Chiropractors' Council that a "free" foot service be included in the government's public-health scheme at a cost estimated at £2,700,000 a year. "The line must be drawn somewhere," said an official of the department.

Britons who suffer from corns are bound to ask why the line should be drawn to include wigs, spectacles and wheel chairs and to exclude attention to the pedal extremities of taxpayers. And as the British Minister of Health already is learning, the pressure on that line is strong and constant: paternalism, once established as an official policy, digs itself in and spreads its roots. If free wigs why not free treatments for corns? If free foot-service, why not free beauty treatments, free hair-cuts and shaves?

Backward

Exchange

A minor Soviet official, after several months' tour of duty in the United States, was asked what his impressions were. "Some things are really ingenuous," said the Russian thoughtfully, "but in other respects I am disappointed. The cities, for instance, are so poor in hygienic installations. Now in the Soviet Union you would find a delousing station for public use in every large railroad station. Here in the United States I've never seen one."

Anti-Onion Appeal

Toronto Star

The anti-onion people are generally mild, long-suffering folk, rendered humble by the frowns of hostesses and the careless exuberance of the onion-eating crowd. But their feeling is intense, and their patience is getting thin. We would suggest to those who are fond of onion-eating places that they be given a break: if not in the name of humanity, then at least in the cause of good business. In their present desperate state they may break away and organize guaranteed onion-free restaurants to cater to their kind.

Says Communism Not Idle Threat



Mrs. Nancy Hodges, Coalition candidate for Victoria in the provincial elections, was guest speaker at a ladies' day luncheon at the Kivani Club at the Empress Hotel Monday. She is shown with club officers and their wives who arranged program. Behind Mrs. Hodges, left, is Mrs. Don Smith, wife of the club president. Next is Mrs. R. W. Hibberson, wife of the vice-president. Mr. Hibberson is next to her and Mr. Smith on the right.

Mrs. Nancy Hodges would like to see the return of the real old-fashioned blush.

In a straight-from-the-shoulder talk to Kivanians and their wives Tuesday at the Empress Hotel, Mrs. Hodges, who has represented the city in the Legislature since 1941 and who is a coalition candidate again for the June 15 vote, blamed the women for a lowering of some moral standards.

She was speaking on the apathetic nature of the people of Canada where, she said, communism was not an idle threat.

There was a great need for a moral and spiritual regeneration of mankind — a regeneration which would be dedicated to world peace, Mrs. Hodges said.

It was the women who could bring this about but first they had to take stock of themselves and revise their fashions in morals to play up honesty, decency, truth and modesty.

Campbell To Present Certificate To Wing

Air Vice-Marshal Hugh Campbell, air officer commanding northwest air command, will present the recently-organized Victoria wing of the Air Force Association with its wing certificate, it was announced at an association meeting Monday night.

Date for the presentation has not been set, but it will likely be sometime next week.

At the meeting, Myles Hague, president of the Victoria Flying Club, told members of the activities of the group and other flying clubs across Canada.

A sum of money was voted to be spent this summer to give flying training to a member of the No. 89 (Kinsmen) Air Cadet Squadron. The cadet will be

"We have forgotten how to blush," Mrs. Hodges said.

"I can't help thinking this way when I see so much salacious literature on our newsstands and some of the films which appear," she continued. "We are accepting things a little too easily."

FACE CHALLENGE

Mrs. Hodges thought everyone faced a challenge in political responsibility.

There was a lot of talk about rights of democracy but if the talk did not switch soon to responsibilities in democracy those rights could be lost, she said.

The recent vote here on a by-law to build additional schools was a shocking example of the lack of responsibility which threatened to open the doors of democracy to communism.

Only 14 per cent of the eligible voters went to the polls and what

selected from a number who attain the qualifications laid down by the air force association.

Plans for observance of Air Force Day, June 11, among them a dance at the Crystal Garden, were approved.

Accidental Deaths

CAMPBELL RIVER—Two coroner's juries returned verdicts of accidental death in the cases of Verner Westman, 44, and Cecil Collinson, 30.

Struck by a falling sapling at A. and K. Logging Company operations, Deep Water Bay, Westman died in Lourdes Hospital at Campbell River Friday as a result of head injuries.

Collinson died almost instantly when he was struck by a tree at Rock Bay, while working for the Granite Bay Logging Company Thursday.

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Free Nations Ought To Trade Among Selves, Says Drew

VANCOUVER (CP)—A belief free nations of the world should trade among themselves was voiced Tuesday night by George Drew, National Progressive Conservative leader, in an election address here.

He said the current exchange problem had led some free nations to trade with countries behind the Iron Curtain.

"Canada is anxious to trade with all nations, but I think we should make it clear we will deal with those countries behind the Iron Curtain when they are prepared not to undermine our economic strength."

TALKS OF TRADE

Mr. Drew, who had spoken earlier in New Westminster as

he continued his trans-Canada federal election campaign tour, said the present government has "led us in a knot" as far as trade is concerned. The lumber, fish and fruit markets of British Columbia overseas had been lost.

Last month exports from Canada to all countries had fallen off \$86,000,000. Exports to the United Kingdom had fallen some \$22,000,000.

Mr. Drew reiterated that a government under his leadership would take steps to make the dollar and the pound convertible. Such action, he added, would not only enable Canada to regain her lost markets but it would also help her to expand her present markets.

NO MERGER

In his New Westminster speech Mr. Drew pledged his party to a "no-compromise" fight for the 262 Commons seats at stake in the election and repeated that the Progressive Conservatives would join no coalition if they

should fail to win a majority in the June 27 vote. The Progressive Conservatives were fighting, he said, for a return to responsible government.

He charged the Liberal administration felt it was in office by "divine ordinance," and called for "an end to the minor czars and petty dictators." It had denied information to Parliament, he said.

Announce Winners Of College Awards

Announcement is expected to be made Friday of this year's winners of over \$2,000 in scholarships and prizes at Victoria College.

This was learned today from Prof. R. T. Wallace of the college, who said there will be between 35 and 40 winners.

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B.C. Party Leaders Outline Policies In Mainland Talks

By CANADIAN PRESS

Finance Minister Herbert Anscomb charged Tuesday night that "most members of the C.C.F. are siding with the Kremlin against the free people of the world."

In a provincial election speech at Mission, he called on the electorate to cast out the "evil cancer of Socialism and its brother Communism."

He also claimed there was no difference between prewar National Socialism in Germany and Socialism in B.C.

Meanwhile his co-leader of the Coalition, Premier Byron Johnson, told a political rally at Kamloops that the Liberal-Progressive Conservative government has "absolute unanimity."

He said the merger had given the best government in the province's history, and had advanced B.C.'s social legislation to the highest in Canada.

He said the administration would use "every effort" to induce the Aluminum Company of Canada to establish its proposed \$300,000,000 industry at Kitimat, and defended Bill 66, which empowers the lands minister to con-

tract with the company without further reference to the Legislature.

The Premier's only reference to Socialism—"I'm dead against it."

In Vancouver, Attorney-General Gordon Wismer predicted B.C. would be plunged into "industrial gloom" if the Socialists take over the province. He accused the C.C.F. of trying to "sell labor down the river," and said unemployment would result from closure of industries brought about by its election.

At Golden, C.C.F. leader Harold Winch charged that the Coalition administration is "squandering" the taxpayers' money in its road work program.

He promised a C.C.F. government would make a full inquiry into highway expenditures.

He would also give "major consideration" to three routes for a Trans-Canada Highway, necessitated by the economy and topography of the country.

The routes would be a Northern Trans-Provincial route to Jasper, a road through the interior to Calgary and a southern route to Lethbridge.

Manitoba Asks Removal Of Freight Rate Inequalities

WINNIPEG (CP)—Removal of freight-rate inequalities between western and eastern Canada as urged by Manitoba today in the opening public submission to the Royal Commission on National Transportation.

Premier D. L. Campbell of this prairie province presented to the three-man body a list of prairie grievances and proposed remedies as the commissioners opened a five-week western swing touching off a far-ranging inquiry expected to last more than a year.

AVERAGE HIGHER

To the commission charged with looking into every phase of transportation under Dominion jurisdiction—in the biggest investigation of its kind in more than a quarter century.

Premier Campbell submitted:

1. Western Canada is at a disadvantage because its average level of freight rates is higher than in the east, and this disadvantage should be eliminated.

2. Tighter regulation should be imposed on the railways in rate-setting.

3. Certain "trans-continental" rates, claimed by the Premier to give an unjustified advantage to shippers on Canada's two coasts, should be halted or eliminated altogether.

Another proposal of the premier was that the Hudson Bay Railway, a short-rail-haul outlet



WILLIAM WILSON

VETERAN SEALER—Funeral services were held this afternoon from Hayward's for William Charles Wilson, 80, who died Sunday morning at Mount St. Mary. Mr. Wilson came to Esquimalt with the sealing schooners in 1895 and after a few years' sealing, settled permanently in Victoria.

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Premier Campbell called for legislative revisions in the way the railways now are regulated by the Board of Transport Commissioners under the Railway Act.

(It is generally accepted that the prairie scale of rates on the average is higher than that of Ontario and Quebec. British Columbia's will be about the same as that of the prairies as of July 1, when its above-normal "mountain differential" rate is removed under a recent order of the Board of Transport Commissioners. The Maritimes are given a 20 per cent reduction from their normal rates on some hauls under a 1927 statute.)

The premier emphasized the view that some system should be set up whereby railway revenues and expenditures would be scrutinized from the point of view of the public interest. Railway rates should be fair to both the carriers and the public.

He took issue with some aspects of the rate-making figures submitted by the Canadian Pacific Railway to the Board of Transport Commission in rate hearings over the last two years.

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Johnny Page, 24-Year-Old War Veteran, Wins Times Talent Quest Semifinals

One thousand, five hundred Victorians chose Johnny Page, a 24-year-old overseas veteran, as the winner of the Victoria Times Talent Quest semifinals at the Odeon Theatre Tuesday evening.

Johnny, competing against six other acts presented on the Odeon stage by Hollywood talent scout Roy Gordon, won his way to the talent quest finals and a chance at the free trip to Hollywood with a black-face imitation of Al Jolson as a "mammy" singer.

The 24-year-old truck driver was born in England and came to Vancouver Island at the age of six, living first in Nanaimo.

He joined the army in April, 1942, at the age of 17 and went overseas in December of the same year. He fought in France with the 28th Armored Regt. and remained overseas until January, 1946, when he returned to Canada and took his discharge.

He came to Victoria four years ago and now is driving for Evans, Coleman and Johnson Bros. Ltd.

Johnny, who is married, started singing in public more or less in spite of himself. Accustomed to singing at home and with friends, he had no intention of doing anything more about it until two years ago when an enthusiastic friend shoved him in front of microphone at the Club Sirocco and told him to sing.

Johnny sang and, as he says, "that started it."

His Tuesday night victory, however, was not easily won for he had to compete with six other acts selected by audience applause as the winners in the weekly contests which preceded the semifinals.

First competitor to appear on the stage in the finals Tuesday was accordion virtuoso Ed Sapala whose nimble fingers danced over the keys of his instrument in a sparkling version of "Lady of Spain."

Second performer to appear was crooner Ken Cooper who sang "The Stars Will Remember."

Johnny Page, the third act, was followed by the Lorne Elves Trio, harmonica players Lorne and John Elves and Frank Leach whose performance put them high up in the popularity of the audience.

Diminutive Valerie Parkin, complete with lei and grass skirt gave a Hawaiian dance with all the sinuous grace of a South Seas belle.

Tommy Shirley, who came down from Duncan to take his part in the semifinals, made a strong bid for top honors with his boy soprano voice and was announced by Mr. Gordon to have ranked the second choice according to the audience applause.

Little Frances Merriman, complete with lei and grass skirt gave a Hawaiian dance with all the sinuous grace of a South Seas belle.

During the Hollywood trip which will go to the final winner there will be a full round of sightseeing for him or her in the fabulous film capitol. The visit will take in film studios, favorite radio programs and favorite entertainment spots of the stars themselves.



This group of semifinalists put up stiff competition in their bids for top place. Front, left to right: Ed Sapala, Francis Merriman and Valerie Parkin. Back, left to right: Ken Cooper, the Lorne Elves Trio, Lorne Elves, Frank Leach and John Elves, and Duncan's Tommy Shirley.

bones were made of rubber or even were non-existent.

To round out the evening's stage entertainment, Mr. Gordon presented two non-competing acts. One was a tap dance number by a miniature chorus line of eight, nine and 10-year-old girl students of the Florence Clough Dancing Academy. The second was that of the Cubaines, who have been appearing as guest artists regularly on the talent quest contest nights.

Now, with the first of the semifinals completed and the winner chosen, Mr. Gordon will conduct another four contests once a week to select another group of winners to seek first place in the second semifinals. From this second semifinal contest will be chosen the winner, who will compete with Johnny Page in the grand final contest which will end the quest for the top entertainment talent on Victoria.

The inscription: "On His Majesty's Service" on official letters in India will be replaced by "On Government of India's Service."



The winner, Johnny Page, complete with black face and oversize flowing black tie, shows the way he gave his Al Jolson imitation.

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Farm Leader Believes U.S. Should Increase Aid Abroad

GUELPH, Ont. (CP) — A spokesman for United States farmers' organizations said today that isolationism is dead.

James G. Patton of Denver, Colo., president of the powerful National Farmers' Union, told delegates to the Third International Federation of Agricultural Producers' conference here that aid already given the world by the United States is not enough.

He said the republic's four greatest farm organizations—the American Farm Bureau Federation, the National Council of Farmer Co-operatives, the National Grange and his own body—would support still greater aid.

Earlier Sir James Turner, head of the National Farmers' Union of Great Britain and president of the I.F.A.P., had warned the opening session of the conference that a difficult period for agriculture is approaching.

The buyers' market had arrived. If it should develop to the point where it undermines world economy, the effect on all trade and employment would be disastrous.

He hoped the recently-nego-

iated international wheat agreement was a forerunner of orderliness in the marketing of other commodities.

Mr. Patton said the program of the United States government for European recovery "now seems to us to be far too limited."

It was necessary to supplement

it increasingly by private capital and by other resources, perhaps including the International Bank.

At the conclusion of his speech he was given an ovation by delegates representing 23 of the world's foremost food producing nations.

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